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25X1 9. [redacted] Jay Sourwine, on the staff of the Senate  
25X1C Internal Subcommittee, called and asked if we could provide him with any  
information on [redacted]

25X1C [redacted] Sourwine said the Subcommittee is considering  
calling [redacted] before the Subcommittee.

25X1 10. [redacted] I advised Mrs. Gloria Bryan, in the  
25X1A office of Representative John O. Marsh (D., Va.), of the letter we had  
received from [redacted] indicating that he decided not to  
pursue his efforts with GSA to be transferred to a guard position at the  
Agency. We are sending a copy of [redacted] letter to the Congressman.

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25X1 11. [redacted] Called Ed Braswell, Chief of Staff, Senate  
Armed Services Committee, and explained briefly the facts regarding  
the Chuyen case.

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25X1 6. [ ] Briefed J. Russell Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee; Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee; William Woodruff, Assistant Chief Clerk, Senate Appropriations Committee; and Robert Michaels, Staff Assistant, House Appropriations Committee, on what we know about the Chuyen case, emphasizing that despite press speculation our hands are entirely clean. Also attempted to reach Edward Braswell, Chief of Staff, Senate Armed Services Committee, but he was unavailable throughout the day. Mr. Blandford remarked that Chairman Rivers was interested in the case on the basis of press stories and had been unable to find out anything from the Pentagon. Blandford said it always "infuriates" Rivers when he can get more information from the press than from the Pentagon.

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25X1 7. [ ] Briefed Messrs. Blandford, Slatinshek, Woodruff and Michaels on:

- a. continued standdown of Soviet air force
- b. new Soviet air bases in the Far East
- c. 9 August PL-1 test
- d. group of Soviet naval vessels entering Mediterranean

25X1 8. [ ] Bill Woodruff said that Senator Russell had seen our letter on withdrawal from the reserves to finance our radio operations and completely approved our solution, remarking that it would not have been feasible to try to deal with the problem under the continuing resolution.

25X1 9. [ ] Met with George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, at his request. Murphy said he had obtained some "very sensitive" information about a recent NATO security case and asked me to obtain details, particularly regarding the possibility of compromise of U.S. atomic information. See Memo for Record.

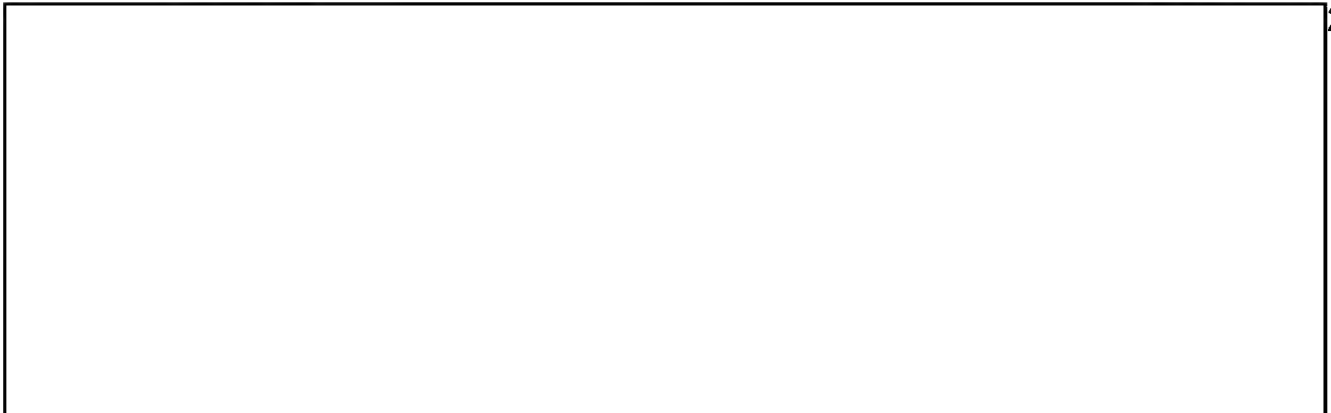
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2. [REDACTED] Attempted to see Senator John Stennis to discuss with him our problems with Senator Ervin regarding the publication of a sanitized version of the transcript of the Director's testimony before Senator Ervin's Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights regarding S. 782. Senator Stennis said he was completely preoccupied with some urgent matters and unless our problem was urgent, he would like me to take it up with Mr. Braswell, Chief of Staff, Senate Armed Services Committee.

I talked with Mr. Braswell explaining to him our reasons for opposing publication. He said he was sure Senator Stennis would agree with our position but doubted Stennis would intervene directly with Senator Ervin. He said he would take the matter up with Stennis at the first opportunity, probably late this evening when he expected to see him for a few minutes, but could only advise us to stand firm in opposing publication of any version of the briefing.

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